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Atwater Library tries to avert financial crisis

Martin C. Barry

The Atwater Library is facing a bill for repairs to its 83-year-old building—a bill so large it could wipe out the institution's entire annual operating budget.

"We have a budget of about \$300,000 per year, and we have maintenance and restoration work that needs to be done that will cost about \$300,000—so obviously we have a problem," said Susan McGuire, vice-president of the library's board of directors.

The library, located on the corner of Atwater and Tupper just within the Borough of Westmount's eastern border, was once known as the Mechanics' Institute of Montreal. In November, members will be celebrating the 175th anniversary of an institution which is the oldest lending library in Canada.

The library is confronting a similar dilemma to the Fraser-Hickson Library in N.D.G., which underwent and finally overcame an operating crisis last year. "We're facing a financial crunch in 2004," said McGuire. "We have no intention of closing, but we do have to raise some money. We're all right for this year, (but) we need to raise substantial funds in 2004—partly because of increased costs of heating and staff and so on, and secondly because we have some major maintenance to do on our building, which dates from 1920."

Among the things that need restoring or replacing are a skylight, granite steps outside the front door, and all the library's windows. "We are designated as a 'very significant' building within the lexicon of the former City of Westmount," McGuire said, referring to the library building's heritage value.

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For years, the City of Westmount provided the Atwater Library with an annual supporting grant of about \$12,000—a tradition which the borough administration has continued. In addition, the City of Montreal has provided an annual grant of \$20,000 for the past decade.

The feeling at the library, according to McGuire, is that Montreal ought to consider increasing its contribution, considering that the majority of the library's members come from central areas like the Ville Marie

and South West boroughs.

"Now we do have people from Westmount, but primarily from the east and southeast, so we think that the City of Montreal should help us a little bit more than they do," she said.

Although the Atwater Library has been helpful in recent years assisting refugees who pass through the YMCA's refugee claimant centre just next door, McGuire noted that the federal government's department of immigration has so far not acknowledged the contribution. "We've applied to the federal government for help because of those refugees—we had 1,000 of them last year, about 8,000 hours of computer time," she said.

"They use our computers for various purposes—to maintain contact with home or with relatives elsewhere, to look for jobs or job possibilities, or future accommodation that they need. We believe that the federal government should help us. However,

they've said, 'It's very nice of you to do this but, sorry, we can't help you.'"

Besides the borough's grant, support has come from Westmounters in other forms. Last spring in conjunction with CBC Radio, a fundraiser, held at Victoria Hall for the benefit of the library's refugees who use the computers, raised \$1,200.

One of the Atwater Library's greatest assets, McGuire pointed out, is that a great deal of goodwill has been focused on it because of the attachment many people have developed for the library over the years.

"It's been there a long time," she said. "People's parents and grandparents and uncles and aunts were members or served on the board, or were janitors in the building or were on the staff... They have a very warm feeling about the library. And I think everybody is interested in seeing such a historic institution survive."

Council to meet on Oct. 9

The Borough of Westmount has announced that the regular October borough council meeting has been postponed a few days due to the Yom Kippur holiday.

Normally held on the first Monday of each month, the October meeting will instead be held on Thursday evening, Oct. 9, at 8 p.m. at the Westmount

Borough Office, 4333 Sherbrooke W.

The regular council agenda will be preceded at 7 p.m. by a public information meeting on Westmount's 2004 budget. Residents are welcome to attend and ask questions about the budget.

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FIRE DIVISION CHIEF AUMAIS RETIRES

Added pressures from new municipal structure took a toll on 29-year veteran

Martin C. Barry

Westmount's first fire chief since the amalgamation of its pre-merger fire department with the City of Montreal's protective service has retired after just a year and nine months on the job in this district.

Georges Aumais, who was named chief of Division 17 of Montreal's fire department (which includes Westmount and parts of Montreal) following the retirement of James Adams in late 2001, had one of the shortest terms by anyone who ever served as chief of fire protection for Westmount.

Altogether, Aumais, 50, who began his career with the Montreal fire department in 1974, had 29 years of service as a firefighter. He said he decided to retire because of the impact pressure from the job was having on his overall well-being. He added that he was also not entirely pleased with the way the megacity's post-merger fire department operates.

"Not that I didn't like my job—just that I'm torn apart taking that kind of decision—but I had to put the family aside," he said. "And it was also taking its toll on my health. I took that decision based on these facts because I was putting in over 60, 70, sometimes 80 hours a week."

Even though he received support from Westmount Borough Director Bruce St. Louis and other members of the borough's staff, for which he said he was grateful, Aumais added that it ended up not being enough. "There comes a time when you can't do a job for two men," he said. "And I was doing it for three or four. It was taking a toll on my family and my health."

One of guidelines given division chiefs like



Division Chief Georges Aumais

Aumais in the new fire department was to "do more with less all the time," he said. "They didn't cut much on the contract for the firefighters, but there was always talk about cutbacks on the budget and things like that. There was too much work and we need more and more staff to keep the structure in place."

During an interview with the *Examiner*, Aumais made no attempt to conceal his dislike of certain aspects of the centralized fire department. "There were some good things in the former cities like Westmount, and there were good things in Montreal, like having all firefighters working together on different things, (but) I think we didn't take full advantage of the best of both worlds," he said.

"We brought the best of Montreal and the worst of Montreal throughout the island," Aumais added. "In the former cities that are now boroughs, the citizens were closer to the administration—and I think that's the way to go ahead... My loyalty basically is towards the citizens. I always said that, and I didn't feel that I gave enough to the citizens. I gave all I could give, but not in the context that I would have liked."

Aumais noted that in former suburbs like Westmount, any citizen with concern or a complaint had only to call their mayor or a councillor and the matter was dealt with quickly. "But now you are losing yourself in the administration," he said. In the end, Aumais insisted he couldn't get the job done because of red tape which stood in the way.

"I can't give an order to get something done because I have to go through so many channels," he said. "I'd be working on it for months and not see the end of it. In some ways, it pisses me off. And when you add it all up, it just eats you alive."

PSO nabs B&E suspect

Martin C. Barry

Officers with Westmount's Public Security force played a crucial role recently in two separate incidents involving a burglary suspect and a possible heart attack victim.

While patrolling the street on Aug. 24 at 10:50 p.m., PSO Steve Payne heard the sound of breaking glass. As he continued south along the street, he observed a man walking up the entrance stairs of 1335 Greene.

Payne noticed that the door to the store had been smashed open and the burglar alarm was sounding. At this point, the suspect started to run along Greene's west side into a nearby parking lot. Payne drove into a lane where he saw him fleeing through an adjoining lane which connected to Sherbrooke Street.

After notifying Montreal police by radio that he was in pursuit of a break-and-entry-in-progress suspect, Payne checked behind parked cars on Sherbrooke, where he found the suspect hiding behind a Honda Civic.

Despite Payne's warnings to him not to run, the suspect fled back towards the Greene Avenue parking lot, where he discarded a dark-coloured backpack.

Payne chased him on foot towards the corner of Sherbrooke and Elm Avenue where he tackled, restrained

and handcuffed the suspect until the arrival of police.

The PSO's actions earned the praise of Public Security Director Richard McEnroe, who pointed out he was following in the footsteps his father, George Payne, a well-known police and Public Security officer in Westmount for many years, who passed away recently.

Payne was also commended in Westmount's borough council. "It seems fitting that we would recognize his recent heroics," borough councillor John de Castell told council earlier this month. "Kudos to our PSO department, and in particular Officer Steve Payne."

In a separate incident on Sept. 3, PSO Kyle Walls helped save an 81-year-old man who was experiencing breathing difficulties related to a suspected heart problem. After being flagged down by three of the bank's employees, who had begun CPR on the man with the assistance of a bank client, Walls took over. The man, who stopped breathing several times, was revived by Walls until Urgences Santé arrived.

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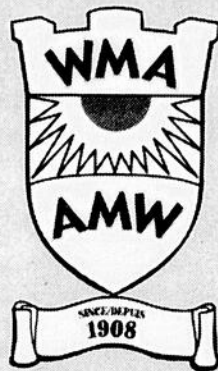
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The Westmount Municipal Association appreciated the opportunity on Sept. 10 to present our brief. We want to ensure our points were well communicated.

Westmount has been committed from the outset to regaining its autonomy, and we look forward to the democratic process of a referendum to help us achieve our goal. A clear and direct question will ensure an indisputable result, an objective we share.

Very directly, local autonomy means legal status, taxation powers, control over hiring and firing of our employees and control over the maximum number of services we had.

During the question period following our presentation Minister Fournier, you informed us that we would not be returning to our former status, but instead become part of an



Westmount Municipal Association

agglomeration. Over several decades we participated in an agglomeration with Montreal, the MUC and its successor, the MMC. As M. Bernard

pointed out while outlining his brief, "la fiscalité d'agglomération" inherently means we are interdependent with our neighbours. We are in agreement with the principle of a contribution to shared regional services, which has never been a point of contention. We are fully prepared to contribute. However, how agglomeration will be defined and what it includes is of the utmost concern to us. If our previous status is out of the question, just how far does the pendulum swing in the other direction in order to satisfy all the interested parties whom you need to appease in this undertaking? What will we be voting for in a referendum—anything we will recognize?

As echoed in several briefs, there exists a wide gap between M. Charest saying on Nov. 20, 2000: "The liberal party has promised that once it forms a government it will allow the citizens who have been victims of these forced mergers to speak and undo what the Parti Québécois has done!" and being told our only option now is to partici-

pate in an agglomeration of undisclosed dimensions.

The bottom line is we are paying higher taxes for poorer services to a distant administration, which has the dubious boast to be the largest in North America. Is there any wonder that apathy is rampant amongst voters. How can the outcome of a referendum be indisputable and possess the absolute legitimacy that you and everyone seeks if, as a "restored municipality", we bear little resemblance to what we were, and have taxation without representation?

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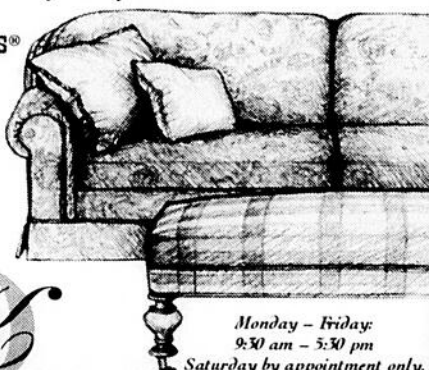
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Westmount Y power failure caused by flood

Martin C. Barry

Teamwork by the staff and the cooperation of members all helped to lessen the effects of last month's major power failure at the Westmount branch of the YMCA.

According to Gary White, the Westmount Y's director, water flooded a basement room next to the pool, where the power transformer for the Sherbrooke Street building is housed. A series of floats in a reservoir on the floor of the room, designed to trigger a pump in precisely that situation, malfunctioned. As a result, the water shorted out the transformer.

The mishap occurred on Friday, Aug. 29, just before the Labour Day weekend.

The source of the water is believed to have been the underground stream below the Y, which the building's original designers were aware of and which the pump was meant to deal with.

Although the pool was being maintained and refilled at about the same time, it was not the source of the leak and subsequent transformer trouble.

The cost of replacing the transformer has been estimated at \$6,000 or \$7,000 and is covered by insurance.

"The force of the transformer as it blew also caused damage to three of our four hot water tanks, and caused damage to one of three motors that worked our air filtration system," White said. "We're installing new floats and using a different method of suspending those floats in that reservoir to trigger the sump pumps."

White said the Y's staff took special measures to ensure all members were informed that the building was closed for two days over the long weekend. "To make sure that members were informed on an ongoing basis of where things were at, we made sure, despite the fact that the building was dark, that we had member service representatives at the front door of the Y to greet members as they came in," he said. "I also feel our members were very patient and understanding through all that."

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Improve lighting to thwart burglars, cops urge

Martin C. Barry

Police at Station 12 are launching a safety awareness campaign to make some Westmount homeowners more aware of the need for better lighting as a deterrent to burglars.

The program, which starts this week under the supervision of Sgt. Alain Sénécal, will involve four police technology students from John Abbott College, who will be going door-to-door distributing a leaflet and providing information to residents in an area bounded by Clarke Avenue, Roslyn Avenue, Côte St. Antoine Road and The Boulevard.

Two years ago, according to Sénécal, along certain streets in Westmount, police started to receive a number of complaints about breaking and entering incidents at homes where there were expensive works of art.

But while the residents wanted police protection and patrols increased, Sénécal noticed that at half the homes on the affected streets, there was insufficient lighting—or none at all—to deter thieves.

While out on patrol, he also observed that, even if burglars were

in the vicinity of a home, the police wouldn't be able to spot them because of the darkness of many properties, combined with the large number of trees. The address numbers in front of houses were also usually switched off, making it difficult for police or emergency personnel to find a specific home quickly.

As Sénécal pointed out during a briefing to the students at Station 12 last week, during medical emergencies every second counts. "Two minutes can make the difference between someone living and someone dying," he said. "But imagine a street where there are seven homes in a row which are badly lit, or not lit at all, where even the addresses can't be seen, and you're looking for an address." In the time it takes for police or ambulance technicians to stop, get out and check address numbers and finally locate the destination, two minutes will have passed.

"Nobody will know if anyone's life has been endangered, but it would have been a lot easier had the light been switched on, showing the address," said Sénécal, who pointed out that it would cost the average homeowner an additional \$3 annually to leave the address light switched on,

based on an estimate provided by Westmount Hydro.

In terms of the interior lighting of homes, he added that many residents are virtually inviting burglars in by illuminating living rooms and their contents, while simultaneously leaving the outside of homes shrouded in darkness where burglars can lurk undetected.

Sénécal suggested placing more lighting outside, even some distance from the house, and making an effort not to leave a home's contents exposed by unnecessarily bright interior lighting.

The four police technology students, David Brodeur, 19, and William Wright, 22, who are both from Pierrefonds, as well as Frank Lombardo, 19, of St. Léonard, and Adam El-Dakak, 19, of Brossard, say they're eager to acquire the experience the awareness campaign will be giving them. "What we've learned in theory, we'll be getting to apply hands on," El-Dakak said.

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A warning from the fire chief

Westmount has lost its fire chief to the proverbial greener pastures of retirement.

This is hardly surprising, as the man had 29 years of service to his credit—and employees from all municipal departments have been accepting packages and tossing out their alarm clocks ever since the Montreal megacity came into existence early last year.

Commentary

Wayne Larsen

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As the chief in charge of several fire stations in the area—not just Westmount's—Georges Aumais has admitted that he was putting in as much as 80 hours per week on the job, and, logically, it was affecting his health and family life. This is unacceptable, of course, and it stands as yet another example of the inherent incompetence at the very root of the megacity system.

When good men like Chief Aumais are so frustrated in the regular course of doing their job that they decide to pack it in, there remains something fundamentally wrong with the system. In an interview with the *Examiner* last week, he complained that he was not only doing the job of several men, but constantly frustrated in his attempts to get things done because he had to go through so much bureaucratic red tape.

Although things may appear quite efficient on the surface, with good emergency response time and more than enough vehicles than often required, Mr. Aumais's complaints about the current system are a real revelation—especially as they come from someone so heavily involved. Any hierarchy that encourages unnecessary bureaucracy, and has one person doing the job of many, cannot be as efficient as it seems.

And since we're talking about a service on which people's lives depend, Mr. Aumais's complaints must be addressed as soon as possible. Some may say his words were merely a parting shot; instead, they are best taken as a clear warning.



NEWS STORY... HOME OWNERS IN WESTMOUNT'S WEST END ARE HARDEST HIT WITH HOME VALUATIONS

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PACKING SLIPS: ANOTHER HOUSEHOLD HAZARD

Off the Leash

George Bowser



Packaging designers have been busy recently, and the results are mixed. Here are some observations about the packaging of some everyday items, good and bad, that I have recently encountered.

The button-locked plastic boxes they use to hold pastries in a supermarket are very difficult to open. Those who are very hungry, or have arthritis, or both, shouldn't even attempt it. Also, the process of opening the package involves making such a deafening clatter that you cannot sneak into the kitchen and help yourself to such a pastry without alerting the entire household.

If you buy a light bulb that comes in a bubble pack you can look forward

to this experience: lift a corner of the plastic bubble under which the light bulbs lie. Pull the plastic away from the cardboard backing. Hold up the bubble in one hand, and the cardboard in the other. The light bulbs are still in the bubble, because it always comes away with the paper that covers the cardboard. You are no further ahead, and it's getting darker.

Small but relatively expensive hardware items such as doorbells, are always packaged in a container made of thick plastic, welded or glued shut. You will need a sharp knife to open this. The knife will probably slip on the glossy surface and slash your hand, and then you will need a band-aid. The band-aid will be in a little tiny bag that you will not be able to open because you can't find the way in to the little bag, and your hands are now slippery with blood.

Two weeks ago, at a restaurant, my companion and I (as Helen Rochester used to say) ordered mussels and French fries—the legendary “moules frites.” The French fries were served

with mayonnaise, and the mayo arrived in individual plastic sachets that we were unable to open without scissors, a sharp knife, or our teeth. This was unfair. I had no knife or scissors, and my companion had no teeth.

One the plus side, I must congratulate the designers of the new ketchup bottles. These come with a cap that the makers are pleased to call “New! Easy Squeeze! This is an ingenious plastic sphincter, which, much like the natural original, does a very good job of preventing leaks. Also, the label has been applied upside down, so that the contents are always close to the exit point – again, modeled from nature. No longer can we say “shake, shake, ketchup bottle / none'll come, and then a lot'll.” Beware: although the squeeze is indeed easy to apply, the resulting squirt is not gradual. It arrives as a sudden, powerful jet, which can easily land several inches from the target area.

The “Big Squeeze” mayonnaise bottle is not quite as successful. For some reason the manufacturer has

eschewed both the artificial sphincter and the upside-down bottle approach, and because of this the emerging substance arrives accompanied by a spectacularly disgusting noise. At my house this is a positive thing, but it may not appeal to everyone.

Yes, we've come a long way since a shopkeeper would simply fill a paper bag with a customer's purchases, hold it by the corners and then spin it through 360 degrees, creating a little two-eared bag to be handed over to a delighted child, who could then take it home, practice twirling and untwirling it until bored, and then blow air into the empty bag and smack it between his hands, making a loud noise and frightening the dog.

Today's bags are bigger because of all the packaging, and made of artificial material that is not biodegradable and won't explode when smacked. However, mayonnaise bottles are more fun than ever.

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Common sense is the best dieting bet

Uncensored

Tommy Schnurmacher



The Atkins diet or the South Beach diet? That is the question.

Books extolling the merits of these two similar high-protein, low-carbohydrate diets have been selling by the millions and they clog the top of all the non-fiction bestseller lists.

They also clog up your arteries according to an army of experts and researchers who can barely be restrained as they explain in much peer-reviewed detail how these diets greatly increase your risk of breast cancer, prostate cancer and heart disease.

Diets, healthy and otherwise, are a multi-billion dollar business.

Before he died recently after an accidental fall, Dr. Robert C. Atkins was the leading proponent of a high-protein, high-fat diet that helped tens of thousands of people lose weight in the short run.

A hero to some and vilified by the experts, he raked in millions even though the American Dietetic Association referred to his diet as "a nightmare."

Dean Ornish, the guru of the low-fat, high-fibre diet, delights in pointing out that the high-protein diet was not invented by Atkins, but was first popularized by an undertaker in the 1800s who may very well have been looking for more clients.

Best-selling diet doctors obviously don't like one another so who to believe?

Your friends and associates will but-thole you at cocktail parties and sing the praises of Atkins/South Beach and how they lost a great deal of weight. The conversation tends to peter out as they go on to explain how they smell

bad, have constant constipation and are often depressed.

Everyone is looking for a quick fix. This may explain why perfectly sane people spend money on a product called Exercise in a Bottle.

No one likes to admit the obvious. We are overweight because we eat too much and don't exercise enough.

That's not glamorous, but it's true.

There has been an explosion of obesity in North America because most of us are no longer getting up at five in the morning for a gruelling 12-hour day of work on the farm or in the factory.

Fattening food is cheap and readily available at every corner. You don't even have to walk to the store to get it. You can order a two-for-one pizza delivered right to your door.

Unless you keep up with all the latest scientific reviews, it's hard to figure out which expert is really right, but there are important clues to watch for. You know there is a problem when you see an interview with Dr. Atkins that is, in fact, an infomercial selling his

assorted books and products.

The 'interview' is conducted on a set designed to look exactly like the twinkling blue light backdrop of Larry King on CNN.

The Cabbage Soup Diet is often attributed to some American hospital. Don't believe that one either. Strictly urban legend. No hospital or health organization has ever recommended this diet although it keeps resurfacing every few years.

After extensive research and several decades of my personal battle of the bulge, I have come up with a perfect diet that is healthy and guaranteed to work in the long run.

I have even coined a snappy name for it. It's called the Four Word Diet.

Eat less. Exercise more.

It definitely works, but don't expect to ever see it on the bestseller list.

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Old News

(from the examiner archives)



Five Years Ago
October 1, 1998

DIANA HONOURED: "The City of

Westmount will be planting a tree in Westmount Park to honour the memory of the late Princess Diana. The ceremony will take place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, October 3 next to the children's wading pool near the corner of Sherbrooke and Melville Avenue. 'I feel this is a very worthwhile project,' said Claremont Avenue resident Gerald Iles, who was the driving force behind the initiative. The City will plant a Ginko biloba—commonly known as a maidenhair—in memory of the Princess of Wales, who died a

year ago last August. 'We're doing this on behalf of the Monarchist League of Canada,' said Iles. He added that representatives from the Royal Commonwealth Society and United Empire Loyalists are also expected to attend."

Fifteen Years Ago
October 6, 1988

MACCALLUM MOURNED: "The man who served the longest, and perhaps most controversial, term as

mayor of the City of Westmount is dead. Donald Charles MacCallum died suddenly early Tuesday morning at his apartment at 4300 de Maisonneuve boulevard, reportedly from an embolism which moved from a leg to his heart, prompting a fatal heart attack. He would have been 72 on Wednesday next week. He had been in good health until he was stricken, having enjoyed a vigorous fishing trip in August. At city hall, flags were lowered to half-mast Tuesday when word of his death was received."

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Around Westmount

Marilynn Vanderstay



The Westmount Historical Association, in conjunction with the Borough of Westmount is presenting a tour of the Hurlbut House at Côte St. Antoine Road and

Victoria Avenue this Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Participants will hear about the history of Westmount's oldest house from guides dressed in period costume while walking through the rooms that date back to the late 1600s. The 20-minute tours will start each day at 1 p.m. Phone the community events office at 925-1403 for more information, or just show up.

The Westmount Historical Association is the keeper of local history. Each season it presents a series of lec-

tures that probe deeper into a particular historical subject. Last week the series 'Words and Images' began with an animated presentation of the life of former Westmount resident, author, singer and poet Leonard Cohen by Westmount author Terry Rigelhof.

The person behind the lecture series is new WHA president Doreen Lindsay, who has been organizing the lectures since 1994, when she put together the Westmount Heritage Art Exhibition. At that time, the Westmount artist was instrumental in revitalizing the WHA.

"It is my way of learning more about Westmount," says Lindsay, who moved to Westmount 40 years ago from London, Ontario. With membership at 152 (14 new members joined just last week) Lindsay's goal as president for the next two years is "to continue helping other people become more aware of the architecture and history of Westmount and the warmth of the neighbourhood we live in."

Big thrill at the Big O

Young Westmounter Michael Fitzsimmons had quite a thrill recently when he served as one of the McGill Redbirds batboys for their game against the Académie Baseball Canada at the Olympic Stadium.

While the Redbirds lost the game, played on Sept. 10, Michael had a great time, as he got to participate in the pre-game warm-up on the Big O field. He didn't even mind when he ripped a hole in his new Nike track pants, "cause it happened on the Olympic Stadium field."

Michael will be back on his team, the NDG Lynx, this spring. Meanwhile, the Redbirds finished in first place, with the help of two Westmount residents. Outfielder Jonas Prupas and pitcher/first baseman Jordan Beitel, two first-year players, both had great years for the Redbirds, who begin their play-offs on Friday night.

A child's view of local architecture

It is still not too late for children four to eight years to take the Westmount Architectural Challenge. Children are encouraged to think about what makes the house or apartment they live in special and different from the others, and to put those ideas on paper in the form of a drawing. Entries should be drawn on the registration form available at the

Children's Library at the Westmount Public Library. Entries and prizes will be displayed at the library until Oct. 10, the deadline for entries. Two winners will be announced on Oct. 14. For more information contact the Children's Library at 673-3026.

Halloween decorating contest

"It is not too early to start thinking about the Halloween decorating contest," says Public Security's community relations officer James Novak. Again this year residents and retailers are encouraged to decorate their homes and businesses for the spooky event. The night of Oct. 31, a community events representative and a borough councillor will tour the registered entries and award prizes in a variety of categories. For information or to register call Novak at 989-5468.

Registrations can also be made at Public Security at 21 Stanton St. Meanwhile, throughout the month of October Novak will be visiting elementary schools in Westmount and talking to the kids in grades four to six about how to enjoy a safe Halloween.

Rotary sponsors local young people

Shaun Sullivan, coordinator of the Remedial Tutoring project at Verdun Elementary School, briefly outlined recently the relationship the Westmount Rotary Club has had with the school over the years, and the specifics of the program that began last week.

Sullivan explained that studies have shown that the risk of drop-out from high-school is highest among those students who have a record of poor academic performance, high rate of absence a low socio-economic background and those who become pregnant. Poverty in Verdun tends to be generational and the parent of most students likely to become dropouts themselves did not complete high school. Verdun Elementary students have a 50 per cent dropout rate from high school. The program will employ four tutors, a psychologist and a coordinator who will work with 25 students from grades six and secondary one in two one hour sessions per week for the next two academic years. In addition there will be monthly family support group meetings, thus involving the parents. Delegates from Westmount Rotary will be involved in the monitoring of the tutoring and the students' progress.

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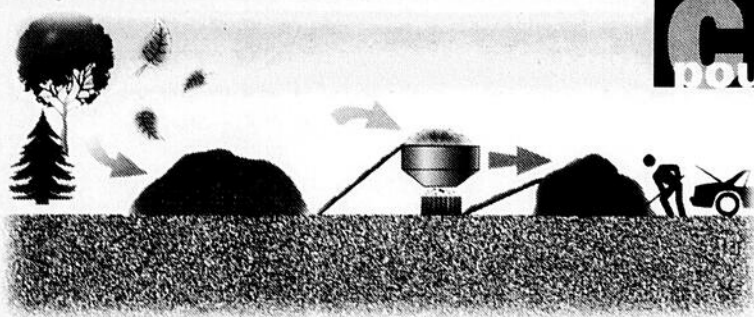
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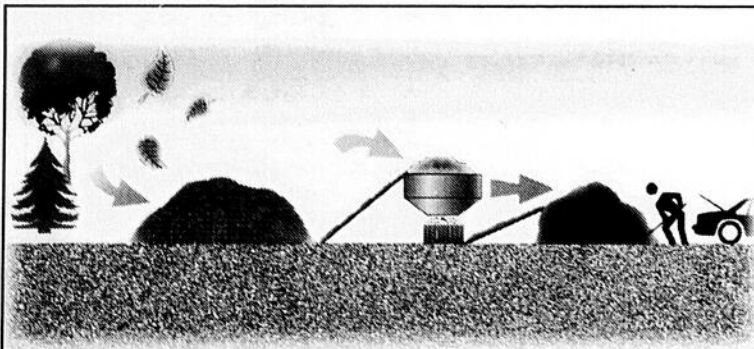
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ABSTRACT IMAGES AND BOTANICAL DELIGHTS

Darlene Cousins

Just when you thought you had seen flowers in art to the point where there was nothing innovative left to be done, award-winning Westmount photographer Alison Wynne Sorbie brings her current exhibition 'Botanica' to Victoria Hall—and changes your perspective.

Sorbie's exhibition, presented along with the recent paintings of Barbara Asgary, is a intimate look at plantings from a macro view that we usually do not have the privilege to see. Flowers that we take for granted on our daily excursions are seen by Sorbie as an opportunity for exploration.

"There is so much variety and colour in plantings that we see that sometimes it's nice to single out elements, to simplify what we see," she says. "To get people to look that close into a plant—to blow it up—makes a lot of people aware of something that they normally wouldn't be conscious of. It can make it much more interesting. It's a way of abstracting it from nature." We are treated to views of flowers and foliage that manage to appear tactile and often overwhelmingly erotic through Sorbie's lens. "I like pulling out an element and saying, 'Look at this,'" Sorbie says. "It allows different interpretations for someone to have."

In photographs such as 'Helianthus Annus' and the aptly titled 'Velvet Queen,' Sorbie's use of depth-of-field and film speed combine to create a grainy, soft abstract image that draws the viewer in and that the velvet sensation they project is tangible.

'Botanica' is selected from the artist's body of work over the last few years. But



Alison Wynne Sorbie (left) and Barbara Asgary

why flowers? Sorbie explains that she has always been drawn to nature and has become increasingly interested in gardens and landscapes. It's safe to say that after visiting 'Botanica' most people will leave with the same inclination.

Barbara Asgary: 'Recent Works'

The old saying "You have to learn the rules in order to break them," certainly applies to Westmount artist Barbara Asgary. While Asgary was classically trained in figurative art in Paris at the École Nationale Supérieure des beaux-arts and the École Montparnasse, she has opted for the New York School minimalist approach to her work.

Asgary, who came to Canada from her native Czech Republic when she was three years old, cites Kandinsky, Rauschenberg and Rothko as having had a major influence on her work. In 1943, Mark Rothko wrote about Abstract Expressionism saying "We favour the simple expression of the complex thought." Asgary successfully carries on this tradition in her work by using

the least amount of elements to suggest a compound scenario as is clearly evident in her large-scale 'Snow' series of paintings. 'Snowfall II (The Crowd)' gives us a bird's-eye view of snow falling from a blue sky onto the 'suggestion' of people rushing through the streets. Asgary manages to convey this scene replete

with the impression of snow blowing through the air with only a pale blue and white canvas. Asgary, who views her work as a "window to my inner existence," says she has "an excitement for colour" but sticks to a predominantly pastel palette which provides a calming atmosphere to her work.

There is a spiritual component—"a nice place to rest your mind," she says—in her work, which hangs in collections across Canada, as well as in France, Mexico, the U.S. and Australia. This is an exhibition that should not be missed.

The artists will be on hand to discuss their work on Thursday, Oct. 2 from 7 to 9 p.m. in The Gallery at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke W.

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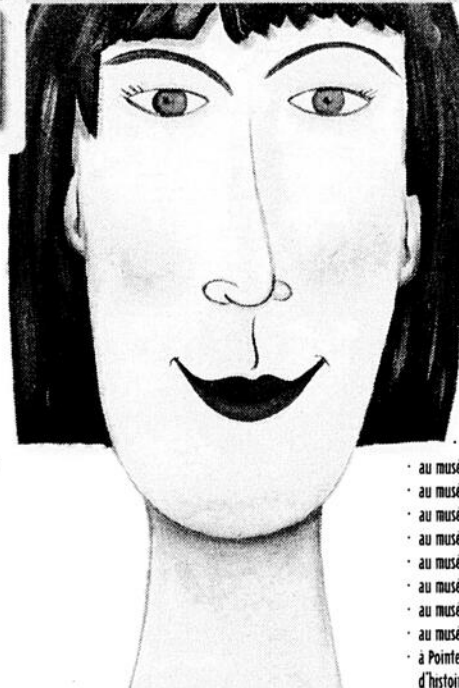
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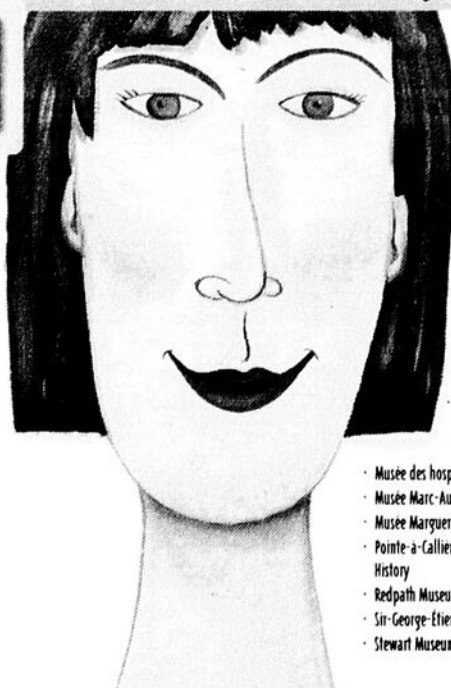
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Westmount's young athletes fêted at sports banquet

Westmount honoured its own last Wednesday evening in Victoria Hall, as the Sports & Recreation Department organized its semi-annual hot dog banquet for participants in its summer sports program.

It was an opportunity for teammates to reunite and receive medals and trophies for their accomplishments.

The awards handed out were as follows:

Dolphins Swim Team

8 and under

Most improved: Sabrina Roy; sportsmanship: Georgina Nolan; most dedicated: Alexandra Landry; most improved: Craig McCulloch; sportsmanship: Matthew Artinian.

9 and 10

Most improved: Gabrielle Samek; most dedicated: Vanessa Salvatori;

most dedicated: Billy Guo; sportsmanship: Sky Wittman.

11 and 12

Most improved: Jeremy Nolan; sportsmanship: Thomas Hudson; sportsmanship: Marissa Samek; most dedicated: Gabrielle Reda.

13 and 14

Sportsmanship: Lara Artinian; sportsmanship: Brett Davis; most improved: Casey Wittman.

15 and over

Sportsmanship: Aliona Starkova; most improved: Krista Walsh.

Sportsmanship award for Youth Volleyball: Alexandra Douvre.

Baseball championship teams

Mosquito

Athletics: Michael Abramson,

David Assedo, Istvan Cyr-Goralsky, Jordan Flinker, Max Foner, Ethan Gordan, Michael Hopmeyer, Kaushik Jonnavithula, Keisuke Okura, Ben Palevsky, Nicolas Poupart, Mark Reiner, Adam Shiri, Hugo Solis. Coaches: Mike Flinker, Bram Gordan.

Pee Wee

Giants: Robert Carle, David Desnoyers-Zorko, Alexandre Dostaler, Michael Groszman, Samuel Holden, Shu Kwan Lui, Mathieu Poupart, Andrew Robins, Brendan Timmins, Xue Yang Wang, Daniel Wolfe, Matthew Zwalsky. Coaches: Gloria Groszman and Tommy Groszman.

Sportsmanship awards for baseball

Co-ed Novice

Dodgers: Angelo Rizzolo; Mets: Sasha Cukier; Pirates: Joshua Ward; Red Sox: Charles Marcil.

Mosquito

Athletics: Keisuke Okura; Blue Jays: Elias Laradi; Orioles: Dillon Lee; Yankees: Michael Schacter.

Pee Wee

Expos: Vincent Delisle; Giants: Shu Kwan Lui.

Sportsmanship awards for inter-city baseball

Mosquito: Jeremy Kaplan; Pee Wee: Sebastien Meltzer; Bantam: Daniel Stroll.

Girls Soccer championship teams

Novice

St. John: Lauren Abramson, Samantha Backman, Emily Black, Sarah Corriveau, Sasha Cukier, Anne-Marie Delisle, Rachel Goldberg, Michaela Kovic, Hannah Lazare, Stephanie Levee, Emma Molson, Mathilde Nantel, Mishi Papich, Elise Schlemm, Daniela Solis, Georgia Takacsy. Coaches: Ashley and Olivia Cukier.

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Sherbrooke: Alexandra Debruyne, Julia Deutsch, Alexandra Diggs, Catherine Diggs, Andrée Claude Larocque, Amanda Pappe, Mariko Peuckert, Vanessa Salvatori, Gabriela Sant'anna, Paula Sant'anna, Kiefer Shaw, Chloe Tait, Shreya Tuli, Christine Waldvogel. Coaches: Donna McCuaig and Anna Sant'anna.

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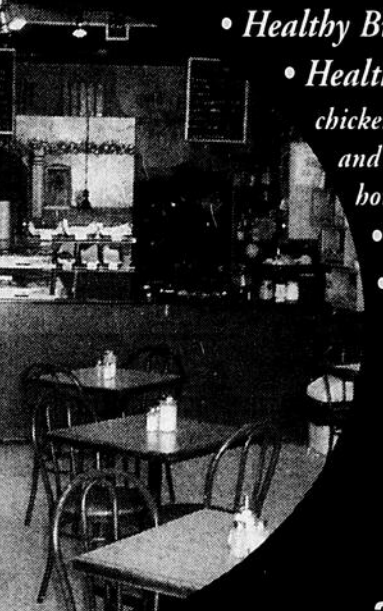


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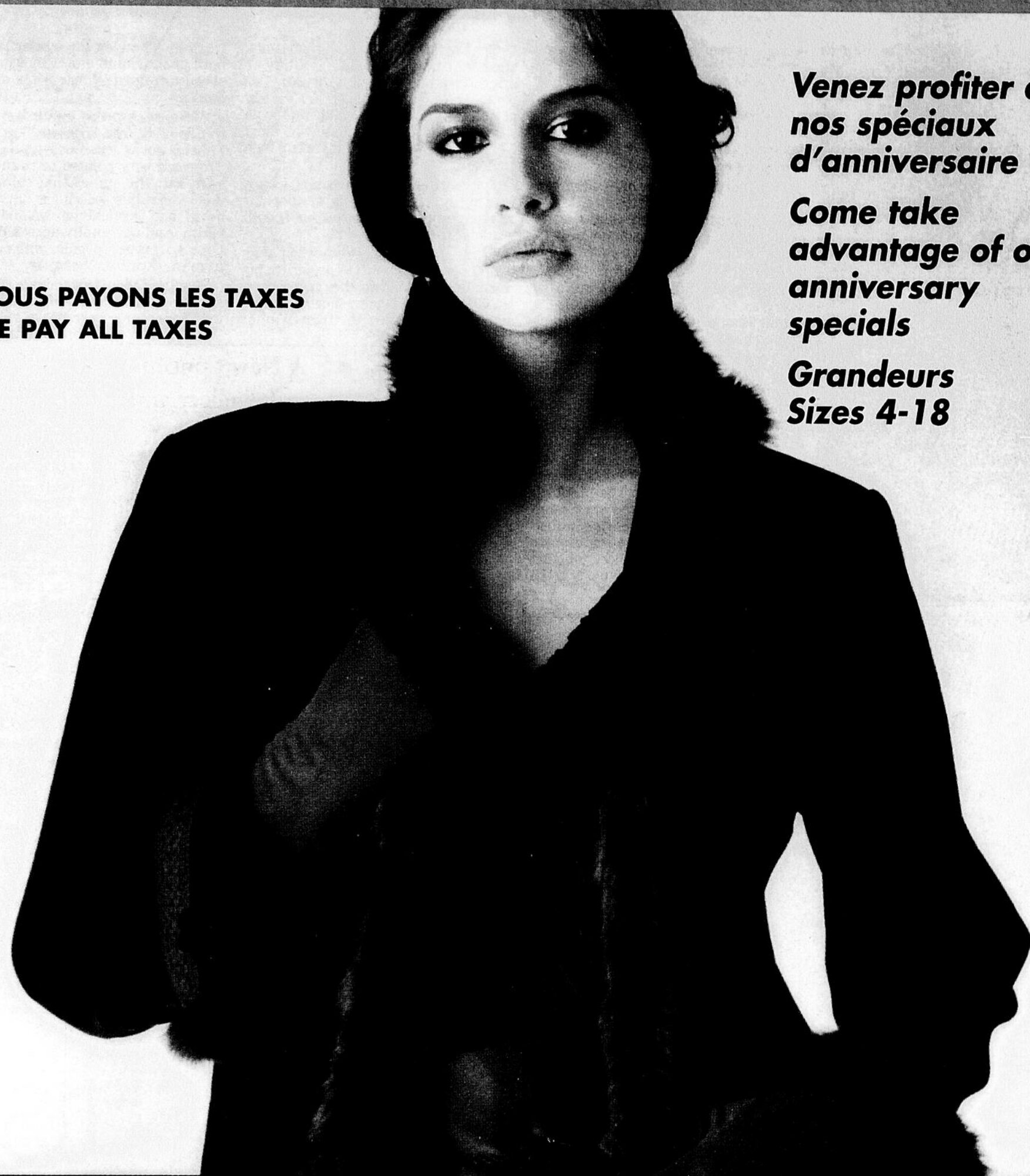
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Marilynn Vanderstay

"Comfort tends to be our number one direction," says Kathie Robson, co-owner of Tony's Shoes on Greene Avenue. "This season it is in everything we are carrying."

Designer Taryn Rose offers a line of comfort combined with style. Made with microfibres, a material that is being seen a lot this season not only in shoes and bags but also in clothing.

Anything goes for colour; black, browns, navy, and red. "We are also starting to see burgundy again, a colour that will follow up to spring," says Robson.

"Toes are a little bit everything this year," said Robson. "Square, round or pointed, they are all fine. In the past women didn't have a choice but this year anything goes! The look is defined by the heel, not the toe."

"Heels are more feminine," she says. "Slimmer heels and dress slides are big for fall fashion. The platform heel is almost dead, having been replaced with thicker, more comfortable soles." Comfortable loafers are dressed up with a bit of a heel, too, that can be dressed up or down with wardrobe.

The big item for fall, however, is not a shoe, but unlined suede, leather or microfibre boots worn with skirts or pants. They are showing up in a variety of colours in mid calf, ankle and even short pant heights. For those who don't feel comfortable in boots, there is a high cut loafer.

For younger people the boxing look is very big. A bootie lace up is very popular as is a running shoe boxer boot, both available in fun colours.

While the weather stays warm, rubber thongs from flat to heel are still being worn. But as colder weather approaches, Hush Puppy boots with thermal lining are always popular for transitional

weather. The look for winter boots is both comfortable and warm mid calf sheepskin lined leather boots made in Montreal.

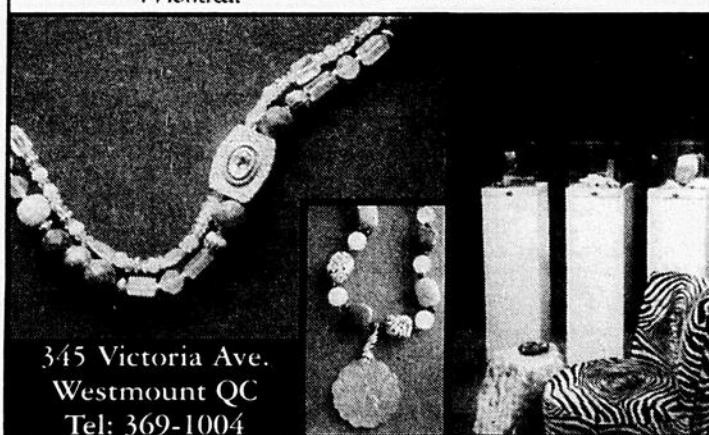
Melanie Azoulay, manager of the trendy La Scarpa Shoes on Sherbrooke Street is not as generous with the style. "Toes are very pointed or round," she says. But she agrees that colours for dress shoes this season are olive green, camel, and burgundy, brown and winter white. And she totally agrees that the boxer boot is very popular with everyone from two-year-olds to seniors.

For dress shoes look for very '70s retro detailing. Little bows, big bows on the toes. For evening wear look at a return to metallic and beaded shoes.

Haim Rosenthal, owner of Avenue Sac on Ste. Catherine Street says that texture and detailing are the words of fall in bags. "Textures are seen in the crocco leather, a crocodile like textured leather. We are seeing a lot of hardware, buckles, the studded look, fringe details and tassels on purses and bags."

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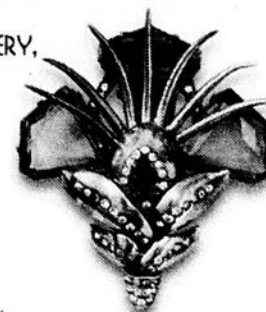
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Westmount cosmeticians' guidelines to fall beauty

Marilynn Vanderstay

The word for beauty in the cosmetic scene this season is natural.

"This fall the look for cosmetics and fragrances are light and natural in predominately earth tones accented with colour," says Mindy Shears, owner of Mindy Shears Make Up Studio, the full-service women's and men's beauty shop that opened in Westmount Square last month.

The cosmetician says that the hottest fashion right now is retro; dark smoky eyes and dark or red lips. "Colours for eyes are muted bronzes, blues, greys, blacks and browns. Brown tone and bronzy coloured blushes compliment the natural foundations lightly applied." That light look continues to the lips with red lips complimented with lip gloss over lipstick or alone.

"Bronzes give a healthy glow all over," says Shears. "My philosophy is to apply colour, even dark, with a light hand. Doing that, the natural look drawn from a palette of colours can be heightened for a more dramatic look for evening and still look natural." She also says that silver

and gold dusts are very big for eyes and for and overall body shimmer.

Maureen Cardone, Cosmetics Manager at Pharma Prix, agrees that the look is natural. "To create that natural look it is important to start with skin care and I personally suggest using Elizabeth Arden's revitalizing peel and revival mask. Used every two to three days a week, it gives skin a new life, a new brightness, which is a good basis on which to apply cosmetics."

The shade statement for lips is copper, she says. "Lip liners are used to hold colour in place and combined with a variety of colours of lipstick can be used to make an intriguing individual look."

She agrees that eye colours for the season are earth tones, applied wet or dry, from palettes and mixed to create individual colour. She suggested a new mascara product from Revlon that uses black on the lashes and accented on the tips with brown.

Shears suggested a lash thickener applied before mascara gives lashes a look as if natural false eyelashes have been applied. She suggests too trying different colours of mascara including aubergine, or eggplant colour.

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Study loses stately old tree

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One of Westmount's largest trees, estimated to be at least a century old, had to be cut down at The Study after a huge branch fell last month.

The academic year at the girls' school on The Boulevard had started only the week before when the incident forced classes to be cancelled for two days.

"It was a very big tree," said Head of School Elizabeth Falco. A neighbour living on Braeside Place heard the branch fall and notified Westmount Public Security, who in turn informed the school.

The tree, a Carolina poplar (sometimes called a cottonwood) was more than 35 metres tall and five metres in circumference.

On Tuesday, Sept. 2, the day after the branch fell, tree experts were called in to assess the damage. They recommended that the entire tree be removed for safety reasons.

"The remainder of the tree was still standing, but not being tree experts, we

had no idea if it was going to fall at any point in time," said Falco.

Preliminary work was carried out that day, and on the Wednesday a crane was brought in to remove the poplar, as well as a nearby maple tree that was damaged by the falling branch.

"Because of the potential dangers involved with the tree's removal and the use of major equipment, classes were cancelled on both days," said Falco. "Everyone's safety was of paramount importance. It was in the middle of our playground."

"It was basically leaning over parts of our buildings and there was a risk that, in the removal, a piece of (this) large tree could have a hit a roof or a window. That's why the school was closed on Tuesday. By the end of Wednesday, we were able to open the school again because the major work with the crane was complete."

Since the fallen tree holds many vivid memories for current and former students, staff and families, they will be participating in the creation of a special project at some time in the future.

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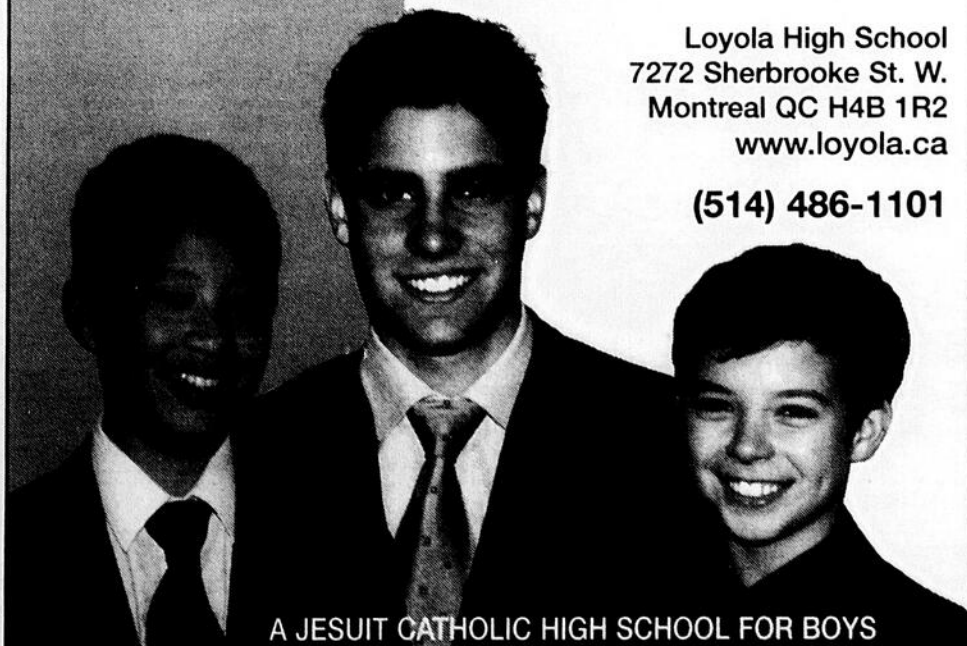
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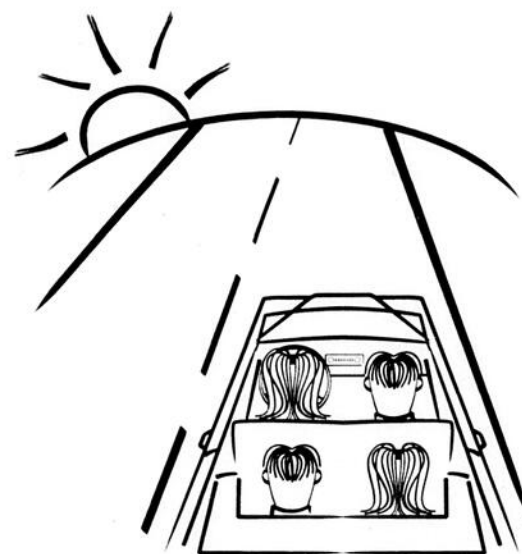
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Bantam

Edmonton: Martha Chertkow, Ariane Cowper, Madeleine Gieysztor, Keely Goldberg, Sara Knox, Bianca Leblanc-Ruibal, Brittany Molson, Vienna Napier, Alexandra Porteous, Lara Richer, Mina Smiljkovic, Stephanie Terfloth, Lilly Thom, Elina Tupamaki, Lauren Walsh, Valerie Weigand. Coach: Jeremy Porteous.

Sportsmanship awards for girls soccer

Novice

Fredericton: Justine Gray; Halifax: Daniela Paykin; Moncton: Victoria Chipman; St. John: Samantha Backman.

Atom

Hull: Gabrielle Dostaler; Montreal: Stephanie Johnson; Sherbrooke: Gabriela Sant'anna; Sorel: Eve MacGregor.

Pee Wee

Kingston: Isabelle Roch; Ottawa: Rowan Bovaird; Toronto: Erica Deutschman.

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Boys soccer championship teams

Novice

Spain: Mathew Artinian, Eric Drymer, David Elefant, Matthew Ieraci, Gregory Jay-Riendeau, Frederic Lamontagne, Victor Leouffre, Max Rahuba Piegion, Mark Reiner, Tomas Syrovatka, Gauthier Thubert, Alexander Toohe, Kevin Ward. Coaches: George Syrovatka and Bernard Riendeau.

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Sportsmanship: Argentina: Kalle Tupamaki; Canada:

Matthew Jackson; Ireland: Daniel Wiseman; USA: Aidan Meltzer; Spain: Frederic Lamontagne; Norway: Simon Cinq-Mars.

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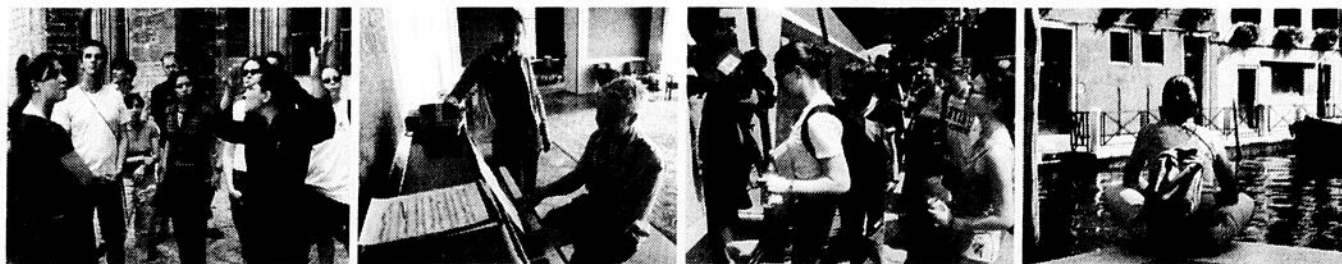
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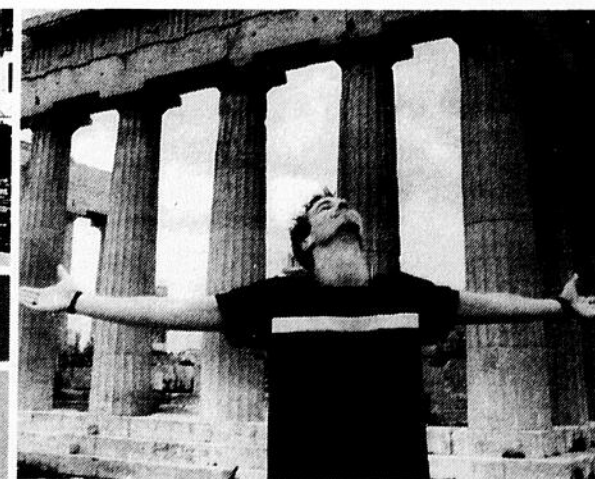
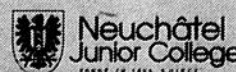
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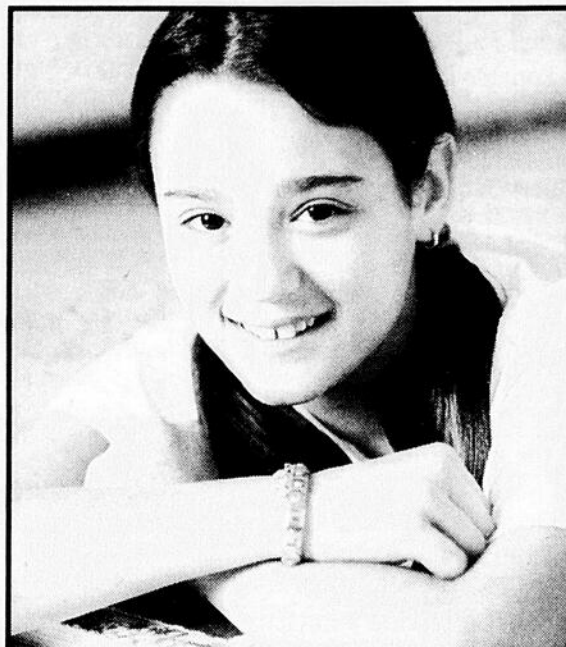
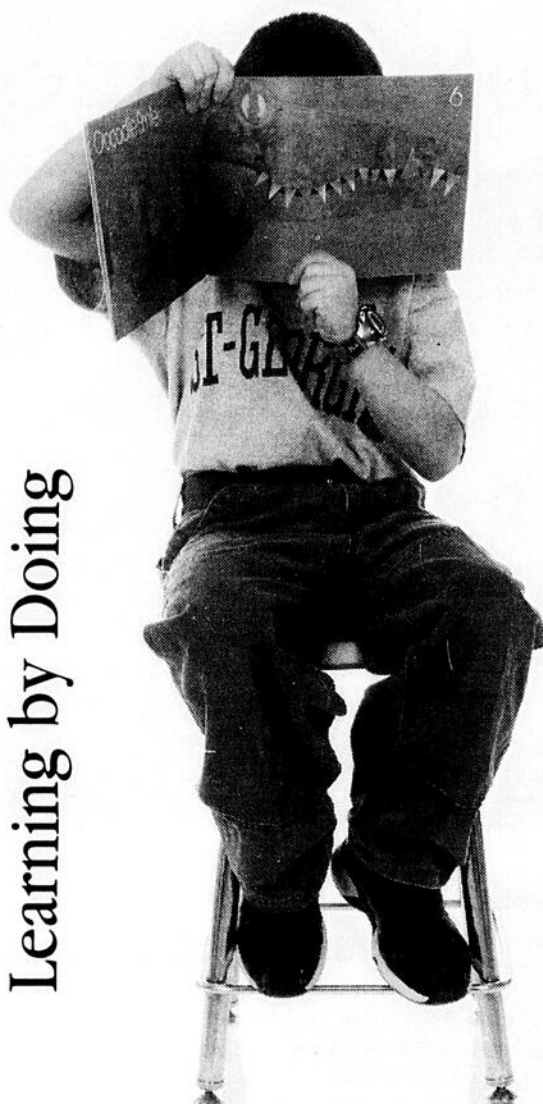
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Selwyn student places third in Commonwealth essay competition

Selwyn House Grade 11 student **Moses Tannenbaum** recently won third prize worldwide in his age class in the Commonwealth Essay Competition. His achievement was announced by the Royal Commonwealth Society in London, England on July 1.

In the same competition, eight other Selwyn House students received awards for their essays. Gavin Kenneally (Grade 9) was runner-up in his age category. Michael Woloszyk (2003 graduate), William Martin (Grade 11) and James

Bloomfield (Grade 8) received high commendation. Shawn Errunza (Grade 11), Benjamin Wilner (Grade 10), Jonathan Mechanic (Grade 9) and Derek Burrows (Grade 7) were commended for their entries.

Competition examiners commented that Moses Tannenbaum's entry, entitled 'We All Laughed', was "an articulate, sophisticated and thoughtful piece of writing. It approached the topic in a wry, disinterested way in order to address the intellectual Left's major source of political embarrassment—their support for a regime that had been shown for many

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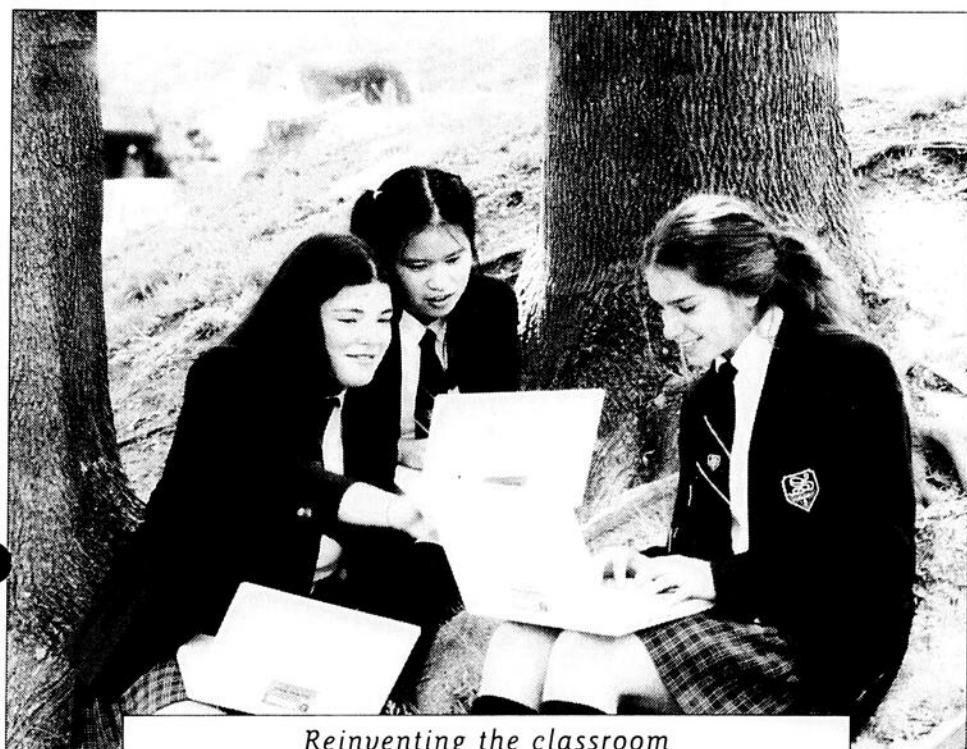
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Saturday, Oct. 4

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The Double Hook Book Shop, 1235A Greene Ave., presents Hugh Anderson, who will be discussing and signing his book 'Second Wave: Online Investing in the New Era for Canadians' from 2 to 4 p.m. Info: 932-5093.

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The Double Hook Book Shop, 1235A Greene Ave., presents Roy MacSkimming, who will read from and discuss his book 'Perilous Trade: Publishing Canada's Authors' at 7:30 p.m. Info: 932-5093.

Thursday, Oct. 9

October Borough Council Meeting at the Westmount Borough Office, 4333 Sherbrooke W., at 8 p.m. Preceded at 7 p.m. by a public information meeting on Westmount's 2004 budget. Residents are welcome to attend and ask questions about the budget. Info: 989-5251.

Saturday, Oct. 11

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Tuesday, Oct. 14

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NOTICE

GENERAL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 2003

To respect the upcoming Yom Kippur holiday, the next general meeting of the Borough Council will be held on Thursday, October 9 at 8:00 p.m. (instead of October 6, as per the usual schedule of the first Monday of the month). This Council meeting will be preceded at 7 p.m. by a public information meeting on the borough's 2004 budget.

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Arrondissement de Westmount / Borough of Westmount

AVIS D'ADOPTION RÈGLEMENT RCA03 23012

AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné, par la soussignée, directrice du Bureau d'arrondissement et secrétaire substitut du conseil, que le conseil de l'arrondissement a, lors de sa séance spéciale du 29 septembre 2003, adopté le règlement RCA03 23012 intitulé «RÈGLEMENT MODIFIANT LE RÈGLEMENT W-1 INTITULÉ RÈGLEMENT CONCERNANT LA TENUE DES SÉANCES GÉNÉRALES DU CONSEIL DE L'ARRONDISSEMENT DE WESTMOUNT» ayant pour objet de modifier le règlement W-1 intitulé *Règlement concernant la tenue des séances générales du conseil de l'arrondissement de Westmount* afin d'amender la date à laquelle se tiendra la séance générale du conseil d'octobre.

Toute personne intéressée peut maintenant consulter le règlement et en obtenir copie auprès du bureau de la soussignée situé au 4333, rue Sherbrooke Ouest à Westmount du lundi au vendredi de 8h30 à 16h30.

DONNÉ ce 2^e jour du mois d'octobre 2003.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION BY-LAW RCA03 23012

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, the Director of the Borough Office and Substitute Borough Secretary, that By-law RCA03 23012 entitled "BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW W-1 ENTITLED BY-LAW CONCERNING THE GENERAL BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS OF WESTMOUNT" was adopted by the Borough Council of Westmount at a special sitting held on September 29, 2003. The object of this by-law is to amend by-law W-1 entitled *By-law concerning the general borough council meetings of Westmount* in order to defer the date of the general council meeting for the month of October.

Any interested person may consult this By-law and obtain copies thereof at the Office of the undersigned, located at 4333 Sherbrooke Street West in Westmount, Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Dated this 2nd day of October, 2003.

Lucie TOUSIGNANT, *avocate*
Secrétaire substitut / Substitute Borough Secretary



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DOWNTOWN - PORT ROYAL -

Bright studio apartment located in the heart of Montréal, steps to shops, transport and universities. Ideal pied-a-terre in prestigious full service building with 24 hour security. Asking \$179,000.



DOWNTOWN - ST. MATHIEU -

Spacious sun-filled downtown corner condo located in the "Oasis". Terrace overlooking courtyard. Many amenities. 3 bdrms, 3 bths, garage. Asking \$398,000.



WESTMOUNT ADJ. - 3048 THE BOULEVARD -

Exceptional sun-filled townhouse with roof top deck. Only minutes from downtown within walking distance to McGill University & hospitals. Spacious master suite, a/c, fireplace, 5+1 bdrms, 2+1 baths, 2 garages. Asking \$469,000.



WESTMOUNT - CLARKE -

Spacious main floor condo plus lower level in elegant stone-front triplex. Beautiful wood floors & high ceilings add to the ambience of this charming home. Many updates & improvements, generous room sizes, 2+2 bdrms, 2 bths, parking. Asking \$549,000.



WESTMOUNT ADJ. - CEDAR -

Prestigious traditional home with panoramic city & river views. Cross hall plan. Beautiful "Denis Couture" kitchen with granite counters. Renovated baths, fireplace, 4 bdrms, 2+1 bths, 2 garages. Asking \$895,000.



DOWNTOWN - REDPATH ROW -

Impeccably renovated stone front cottage. Set in private court, situated in the heart of the "Golden Square Mile". Steps from shops, universities & museums. Ensuite bath, fireplace, 2 garages. Asking \$899,000.



WESTMOUNT ADJ. - TRAFALGAR -

Beautifully renovated home on mature lot (over 7,000 SF). Master suite has immense terrace overlooking city and river, views! Fireplace, a/c, updates throughout. 5+1 bdrms, 3+1 bths, 2 garages, parking. Asking \$1,695,000.



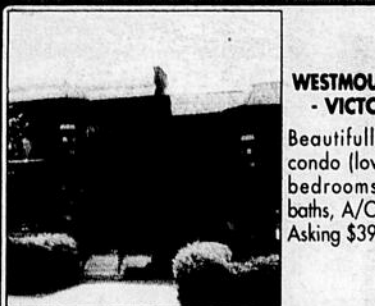
WESTMOUNT - 105 UPPER BELLEVUE -

Custom built contemporary cottage with superb city & river views. Sweeping front exterior staircase leads to large terrace & huge back garden. Master suite with unobstructed views. 4 bdrms, 2+2 bths, 2 garages. Asking \$1,750,000.



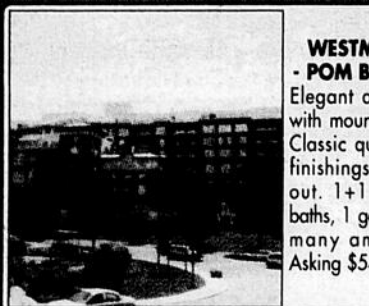
WESTMOUNT - TRAFALGAR -

Contemporary home on quiet cul-de-sac. Spectacular city & river views. An expansive open plan with modern architectural elements. A unique living space, terrace, enormous master suite a/c, fireplace, 4+1 bdrms, 3+1 bths, 2 garages, parking. Asking \$2,950,000.



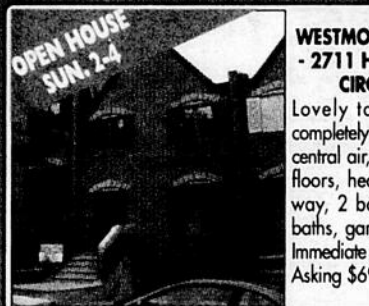
WESTMOUNT ADJ. - VICTORIA -

Beautifully renov. condo (lower) 3+1 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, A/C, garage. Asking \$399,000.



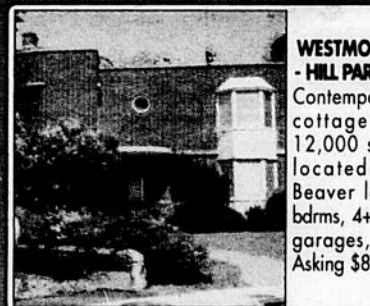
WESTMOUNT - POM BAKERY -

Elegant apartment with mountain view. Classic quality and finishings throughout. 1+1 bdrm, 2 baths, 1 garage and many amenities. Asking \$549,000.



WESTMOUNT ADJ. - 2711 HILL PARK CIRCLE -

Lovely townhouse completely renovated, central air, hardwood floors, heated driveway, 2 bdrms, 2+2 baths, garage for 2. Immediate occupancy. Asking \$699,000.



WESTMOUNT ADJ. - HILL PARK CIRCLE -

Contemporary det. cottage on over 12,000 sf of land located next to Beaver lake. 4+3 bdrms, 4+1 baths, 2 garages, parking. Asking \$850,000



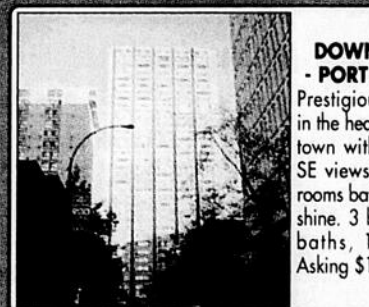
WESTMOUNT - 4769 SHERBROOKE -

Stately & spacious detached located at the corner of Roslyn. Impressive ground floor w/ beautiful woodwork, floors & stained glass. 4+3 bdrms, 3+1 bths, A/C, FP, 1 garage, parking. Asking \$1,195,000.



WESTMOUNT - ROSEMOUNT -

Spacious semi-det. on over 9,000 sf of land located on the flat. Updated kit. w/ adjacent deck overlooking front garden. Large, private fenced rear garden. 3+2 bdrms, 3+1 bths, garage. Asking \$1,295,000.



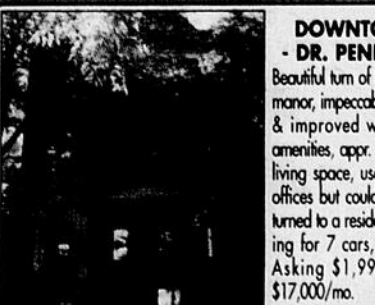
DOWNTOWN - PORT ROYAL -

Prestigious location in the heart of downtown with dramatic SE views. Spacious rooms bathed in sunshine. 3 bdrms, 3+1 baths, 1 garage. Asking \$1,399,000



WESTMOUNT - DEVON -

Desirable location - quiet street - spacious Adirondak stone bungalow on 9300 sf of land, 3+2 bds, 4+1 baths, ground floor den w/ fireplace, double garage. Asking \$1,450,000.



DOWNTOWN - DR. PENFIELD -

Beautiful turn of the century manor, impeccably restored & improved w/ modern amenities, appr. 8000 sf of living space, used now as offices but could be easily turned to a residence, parking for 7 cars, large lot. Asking \$1,995,000 or \$17,000/mo.



WESTMOUNT - EDGEHILL -

Magnificent & spectacular mansion with elegance and charm. Beautiful wood paneling, beam work, large private garden. Drop Dead Views!!! 6+1 bdrms, 4+1 baths, 2 garage, parking. Asking \$3,150,000



WESTMOUNT - FIRE STATION - VICTORIA -

Unique opportunity to own a luxurious townhouse in a heritage building, app. 5000 sq. ft. each, ground floor has 16' ceilings, 3 or more bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, central air, intercom, high end finishings to your taste, 2 garages, private roof terrace, breathtaking view of river, delivery 2004, reserve now, prices include GST & PST. 3 units: \$1,869,158, \$1,994,000 & \$1,996,685.